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an application in that behalf, taken back by the itinerating officer on his next visit for personal delivery. It is open to parties to have documents registered either by the itinerating sub-registrar or by the registrar or other joint sub-registrar at the headquarters office as all these officers have concurrent jurisdiction over the whole sub-district.

*Grant of licence to Badagas of Nilgiris district.*

697 Q.—Mr. R. K. SHANMUKHAM CHETTIYAR: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(1) whether it is a fact that annual licences were granted to the Badagas in the Todanad division of the Nilgiris district for penning cattle in certain areas; and

(2) whether it is a fact that most of the applications for the renewal of licences during 1922–23 were refused by the District Forest Officer; if so, on what grounds?

A.—The Government have no information but will call for it.

Mr. R. K. SHANMUKHAM CHETTIYAR:—“ May I ask whether any memorial has been received from the inhabitants of the locality with regard to the licences in question ? ”

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP:—“ I am not aware of it. But in the answer the Government have promised to call for the information, and the hon. Member will be supplied with it when received.”

Mr. R. K. SHANMUKHAM CHETTIYAR:—“ In this connexion may I bring it to the notice of the hon. Member that it is impossible for these poor people to graze their cattle. If they are not permitted to do this they will be deprived of their livelihood. May I therefore request the hon. Member to obtain the information as early as possible and take any action that may be necessary ? ”

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP:—“ The information will be called for at once.”

*Development of technical education.*

698 Q.—Mr. S. T. SHANMUKHAM PILLAI: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state, with reference to his answer to clause (b) of Rao Bahadur Appaswami Vandayar's question No. 1177 asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 19th January 1922, whether the proposed committee has been appointed and the question of developing technical education investigated, and if so, with what result?

A.—Yes. Its report has not yet been received.

*Board of Revenue Committee.*

699 Q.—Mr. S. T. SHANMUKHAM PILLAI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether any action has been taken by Government on the report of the Board of Revenue Committee, dated 13th August 1921, and if so, with what result?

A.—The Committee's recommendations have been given effect to.